COMMITTEE REPORT

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**H. 4116**

Introduced by Reps. Ridgeway, Douglas, Spires, G.M. Smith, Clemmons, Tallon and Cole

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**THE COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL AFFAIRS**

To whom was referred a Bill (H. 4116) to amend the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 40‑47‑38 so as to provide that no provision of the Medical Practice Act may, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

HARVEY S. PEELER, JR. for Committee.

**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 40‑47‑38 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT NO PROVISION OF THE MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT MAY BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE A PHYSICIAN TO SECURE A MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION AS A CONDITION OF LICENSURE, REIMBURSEMENT, EMPLOYMENT, OR ADMITTING PRIVILEGES AT A HOSPITAL IN THIS STATE; AND TO DEFINE A NECESSARY TERM.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Article 1, Chapter 47, Title 40 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding:

“Section 40‑47‑38. (A) No provision of this article may be construed to require a physician to secure a Maintenance of Certification as a condition of licensure, reimbursement, employment, or admitting privileges at a hospital in this State.

(B) For the purposes of this article, ‘Maintenance of Certification’ or ‘MOC’ means a continuing education program that measures core competencies in the practice of medicine and surgery and is approved by a nationally‑recognized accrediting organization.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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